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M.L. Carter Devevelopment Corporation celebrates the grand opening of Wawa at Orange Ave/Town Center. M.L. Carter Development Corporation developed this site for Wawa.

Wawa debuts 20th Central Florida store



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Wawa reached a milestone today.

The Pennsylvania fuel and convenience retailer debuted its 20th Central Florida location at 13585 S. Orange Ave on Oct. 31 — the 29th store in Florida. Talk about a special treat on Halloween.

Local officials, Orange County Sherriff's Department, Orange County Fire Department and store associates gathered at the new store this morning for an official ribbon cutting.

Wawa [first debuted in Orlando](#) in July 2012 near SeaWorld Orlando. The new stores have created temporary construction jobs as well as permanent jobs and also help eat up vacant or distressed real estate, which most other investors tend to avoid. That helps improve local real estate values.

The retailer will continue to [grow its presence in metro Orlando](#), with six more locations in the works for Central Florida including two in Orlando, one in Winter Park, one in Apopka, one in Clermont and one in Kissimmee.

The Winter Park, Apopka as well as the Orlando location at 8574 S. Orange Blossom Trail are set to open this fall while the Clermont, Kissimmee and Orlando location at 1650 N. Avalon Park Blvd. are set for a Spring 2014 opening.

Is a Wawa opening near you or your business? See all the Wawa locations and stores still to come [on its website](#).